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14. (U) SOURCE: RADM VASSILIADES, VICE CHIEF HELLENIC NAVY
15. (U) SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NON/DIRC
16. (C) SUMMARY: DURING THE NIGHT OF 9 APRIL THE GREEK NAVY
WITHDREW FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE ON GOING NATO CPX "DEDICATED
DEFENSE". THE OTHER GREEK ARMED SERVICES HAVE NOT WITHDRAWN AND

CONTINUE TO PLAY.

22. (C) DETAILS: THE GREEK NAVY WITHDREW FROM THE NATO CPX "DEDICATED DEFENSE 78" ON 9 APRIL (NO ACTUAL FORCES INVOLVED - COMMAND POST EXERCISE - COMMUNICATIONS ONLY). THE REASON FOR THE WITHDRAWAL, ACCORDING TO SOURCE, WAS THE TURKISH FAILURE TO RESPECT THE COMEDEAST (HELLENIC NAVY CHIEF'S NATO HAT) GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY. SOURCE STATED THAT THE TURKS WERE CONTINUALLY "FLOODING" (SIC) THE COMEDEAST AREA WITH SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT IN VIOLATION OF NATO AGREEMENTS AND WITHOUT COORDINATION WITH, OR APPROVAL OF, COMEDEAST. SOURCE STATED THAT ALTHOUGH IT WAS ONLY ON PAPER AND THAT REAL SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT WERE NOT INVOLVED, THE PRINCIPLE OF THE COMMAND STRUCTURE WAS VIOLATED AND THE GREEK NAVY COULD NOT ACQUIESCE TO SUCH FLAGRANT
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VIOLATIONS. HE STATED THAT PROTEST MESSAGES WERE SENT TO THE TURKS AND TO NATO, BUT THAT THE VIOLATIONS DID NOT CEASE.

ORIGINATOR'S COMMENTS: THIS IS ANOTHER CHAPTER IN THE TASK FORCE CONCEPT VERSUS THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA CONCEPT OF COMMAND. THE GREEK NAVY IS COMMITTED TO THE COMEDEAST GEOGRAPHIC COMMAND (THE AEGEAN) AND IS EXTREMELY SENSITIVE TO ANY EFFORTS TO CHANGE ITS STATUS. UNDER THESE CONDITIONS THIS WITHDRAWAL WAS PREDICTABLE AND WAS IN NO WAY CONNECTED WITH THE TURKISH ARMS EMBARGO ISSUE. THIS IS FURTHER FORTIFIED BY THE FACT THAT THE OTHER GREEK ARMED SERVICES ARE CONTINUING TO PARTICIPATE.
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